

Langham in Rutland

16th Century Wills & Administration

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Testamentum Thomas Baggley de Langham wever def

In the name of God Amen the second Daye of September in the yere of our lord \ god 1565 I Thomas Baggley of the towne of langham weaver make this my last will and \ testament in maner ands form folowinge fyrst I Bequeth my souele to all myghtye god \ ande my Body to be buried in the church yard of Langham and I will that my debts and \ my funerall expenses be payd of my holle goodes

Item I Bequeth to Thomas Bagley \ my eldest sonne a Rode of Barlye & one Rode of peyse & one Black hefore one brasse \ Poott ande my best cootte and I will yt Thomas my sonne [word crossed out] shall occupye my \ shoppe wth allthings there in unto the purificacon of our Ladye next coommeinge after the same \ Daytt and costome as he hath hayd yt synth or Ladye Daye in Lent payinge that \ Paytt and costume to my wiffe

Item I Bequethe to John Bagley my sonne my greatt \ brasse poott and one lyttell panne, one charger two pewter dishes one \ Candelsticke & one coffer

Item that my wiffe shall have a calfe and she to have \ the use of the same calfe until my sonne John cum to the age of xv yere \ and she to deliver to my sonne out of yeres olde

Item I Bequeth to my sonne \ William Baglay my great pane my new Brasse potte one charger towne pewter \ dyshes and I will that my wiffe shall geve my sonne William one calf \ after the same use & maner that she doth nowe my sonne John one

Item \ I Bequeth to my sonne Willm one candelstick one coffer

Item I Bequeth \ to my sonne John and to my sonne ether of them one payre of shettes and \ one pylowe and my shop[e or t?] [g?]ere and I will yf ether my sonne or my sonne Willm \ do dye then the longer lyver to have his brother parte

Item I Bequeth to sisley my wiffe \ all the Resydue of all my goodes not Bequethed and I ordayne and make sisley my \ wiffe my onelye executrix of this my last will and testament and I do make William pyttes the supervisor of this my last will Thes Beinge wittenes

Sr Thomas Rodes curat of \ Langham

John Clarke

William Brygye

george farowe and

Thomas Bagley wth other moo

\ \ Probatn fuit testamentum supra scriptn coram nobis William Brnsley
in legibus Bac ... die mensis Septembris Anno dmi 1565
commissa fuit administratio et executri... in debata Juris
forma ... salvo Jure

FS[
There is a crease in the original paper which makes part of one line difficult to read. I think he is leaving his shop gear to William and John, though he has already left the contents of the shop to Thomas. It is just possible that the words are shepe ewe if the g is simply a continuation of a long s on the previous line, but it seems to be an o not an e in the first word and an r not a w in the second
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In the name of god amen the yer of or lord / god 1561 the vj day of august I thomas ball / of langham in the countie of rutland husbandman / being in good mynd & perft remembrance mak / my last will & testat I maner & forme folowing

- ffirst I beqthe my soule to allmightie god & to / all tholy companye of heaven & my body to be / buried in the churche yard of peter & paule / in langham aforesaid
- Item I beqth to the mother / church of peterborow ijd
- Item I beqth to the / church of langham xijd
- Item I beqth to Sr William gan vjd
- Item I beqth to margerie / ball my wif the halfyard lande croke so / longe as she is widow dreft to her hande yerly / ij of the best kye one table one forme ij chares / one ambrie iij cofres j matros fyve paire of / shetes iij coverletts j bolster iij pilowes vj pe??[end of word missing] / of pewter a saucer a salt one candelstick a laten / bason a brasen ladell a chaffingdish iij pannes / j braspot one kette a new tubb a cowle a ale / tubb iij pailles one tubbe spit and coberdes one / ax one hachet one table a lode of coles a brush / a cloke one bordcloth one towell ij bedstedes / a wodkas ij bottels one of a galon & one of a / quart ij pickforkes one charne one sack j / bag pothoges one blanket one hog one sowe / iij paynted clothes one bolster a side sadle /
- Item I beqthe t dorathe ball a cowe ij paire / of shetes one of tere hempe one of harden / one plate one pewter dyshe a cofer one coverlet / j bordcloth
- Item I beqth to marget ball ij / paire of shetes one of tere hempe and one of har / den a cofer one braspot one pan one coverlet / one bordcloth one pilowe
- Item I bequeth / to thomas ball a calf a filie a russet iaket / the copie of thalf yard lande a paire of shetes /
- Item I beqth to John ball the younger a dune / colt a calve a doublet of black cloth a violet / iaket
- Item I beqth to Jane ball a calve / a paire of shetes a kettle

The residue of / all my goodles not beqthed I give & beqth / to John ball and William ball my sones whom / I make my executors to dispose for my soule / and all christian soules

witnes

william gan / curat

william bery

bartholimew clerke

robt / barker - wth other moo

Probatum fuit ... testam coram Dno archeo au....

xxvi die FS [perhaps august, the remainder of the words are missing from the printout]

FS[

dreft. The letters are clear but so far I have not found an explanation.

ambrie = aumbry = a wooden cupboard with openings for air to circulate, usually for keeping prepared food.

cowl = large tub for water, usually with two ears through which a cowl staff could be passed so it could be carried by two men. OR An open tub used for cooling in brewing or butter-making, or for salting meat.

charne = churn

coberdes = cobirons for supporting the spit in front of the fire.

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In the name of Gode Amen the yeare of or lorde god mcccc lxi the xxix daye of June I Thomas barkbe of Langham In the countie of Rutland husbandman beinge in good mynde and perfyte Remembrance make my laste Will & Testament In manner and forme folowinge/ffirste I bequeathe my Soule to almyghtie god and to all ye holye companye in heaven and my bodye to be buried In the churche of peter & paule in Langham aforesaide

- Item I bequeathe to the mother churche of peterboroughe ijd
- Item I bequeathe to the churche of Langham vs
- Item I bequeathe to P[curate] William Gan xijd
- Item I bequeathe to Thomas watres halfe acre of barlye & A cowe
- Item I bequeathe to William Watres half acre of barley
- Item I bequeathe to Thomas Athrope one yron bonnde carte and the Lease of my mylne
- Item I bequeathe to Alice Athrope my daughter ye counter table the beste brasse pott & a cowe
- Item I bequeathe to Anne Athrope one silver sponne
- Item I bequeathe to every god childe iijjd
- Item I bequeathe to Harry Tayler one lame
- Item I bequeathe to Margytt Tayler one lame
- Item I bequeathe to the poore people vs
- Item I bequeathe to the hye wayes iijs iijjd

The residewe of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve and bequeathe to Johann Barkbe my wyfe whome I make myne executrix to disporre for my soule and all christen

Also I will yt my wyffe have my house and yard land hir lyffe And after hir to Remyne unto Thomas Athrope and his wife

Witnes

William Gan curat

Richard Robe

Barthlemew Clarke

Harri Pylyppott

Umphrey Sotton

wth other moo

Probat fuit huis Testam in visitorium

Ordinarin pdca apud Owkam ixmo Sept

Ao predict

FS [yron bonnde carte = cart (two wheels), the wheels bound with iron]

FS [lame = lamb]

FS [mylne = mill]

FS [burial not noted in Langham register]

Testn Johne Barkebye de Langham des Ao dm 1571

In the name of god Amen I Joane Barkebye of Langham in the countie of Rutland beenge sycke in bodie but whole in mynde and memorye god be thanked Doe ordeyne this my Last will and testament in manner and forme followynge viz

First I bequethe my soule to almightie god and my bodie to the yearthe to be buried in the paryshe Churchyard of Langham aforesaid

Item I geve to the mother church of Peterbrughe ijd and to Langham church vjd

I geve to Sybbell Waters a Bazen and one pece of pewtar

Jone Waters a Chafyngdyshe & a pece of pewtar

Ales Waters a Candlestycke,

Henry Waters a Towell

Margaret Beale a bourdclothe

Willm Beale a Towell

Also I geve to Willm Waters children the one of my kye

to my daughter Alce A thorpes children thither

to E[mi]e Thorpe one auombrye

to John waters a tere of hemepe sheete,

The Rest of all my goodes unbequethed my legacies performed, and my funerall expenses discharged I geve and bequethe to Willm waters my sonne, and to Ales Thorpe my Daughter & of this my Last will and testamt I make and ordayne my said sonne and Daughter my Executors & they to devyde my said goodes & Catteltes by even portions betwixt them, & that they now eyther of them doe stryve or quarrel any manner of waye but Lovingly to content them selves wth ye parte wch shall fall to ere ryther of yem & of this I geve them great warnynge ye day & yeare first above written

RegcoNorthampton Record Office 28o Die

[April?] 1574 coram

.....dio Exccu

..... Sm vlb 16s

FS [Total estate £5 16s.

now eyther = noweyther = neither

ere ryther = ereryther = either

Parish register for Langham has Jone Burkley, widow, buried 28th January 1574-5, could this be the same person?

Alce Waters d/o William baptised 2nd March 1560-1

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In the name of god amen The Twenty dae of October in the yeare of or Lorde god a Thousand five hundred fourtie and one I Robert Bery of Langham wthin the pyshe of Okam in the diocse of lincoln hole of mynde and of good memory make and ordeyn that my testament and last will in manner and forme folowinge

ffirst I bequeath my soule unto the mercy of Almightye god & unto his blessed mother and Virgin Mary And to all the glorious company of hevyn and my body to be buryed within the churche of Seynt peter and paule aforsayd

Item I bequeth to the cath / Churche of our Lady at Lincolyn iiijd

Item I bequeth to the hight Aulter viijd

Item I bequeth to the churche of Langham / a crosse clothe

Item I bequeth to the churche vjs viijd

Item I bequeth to our Lady guyld iijs iiijd

Item I bequeth to every / godchild viijd

Item I bequeath to Elizabeth hubbard two kye and to every child that she hath three shepe

Item I bequeth to Isabell moar two kye and to every child that she hath three shepe

Item I bequeth to Ann Mydowes a cow and xls

Item I bequeth to Myles Bery Ten pounds

Item I bequeth to Jone Bery Ten pounds

Item I bequeth to Thomas Bery two sheepe and to every child that he hath a shepe

Item I bequeth to William Bery two shepe and to / every child that he hath a shepe

Item I bequeth to five townes that marchys upon the merys iijs iiijd to every towne

Item I bequeth to the brigys Ten shillings

Item I bequeth to Gilberd Bery xxs

Item I bequeth to Robert Bery xxs

The residue of my goods not bequethed I give to Nycholas Bery and William Bery my Sons whom I make my Executors they to dispose of the same for the welth of my Soule as they shall think most expedient These being witnessse

Sr William gan

William Dycman

Thomas Bushe

John Gilburne with other moo.

T. Thome Berry de Langham

In nomine dei amen the xxvjth daye of februarye in the yeare of oure Lorde god 1587 I
Thomas Berrye of Langham in the Countye of Rutlande husbandman beinge sicke in bodye and in
good memorye doe make this my laste will and Testamente in manner and forme followinge

ffirste I comitt my soule into the handes of god my maker and redemer who died for me desiringe
god to receave my soule into the his everlastinge kingdome and my body to be buried in the
Churche yarde of Langham

I will that all my goods and Cattelles moveable and unmoveable be equally devided amongste my
Children and my wife after my debtes payde and my funeral expences discharged

I also make and ordayne Anne my wife and William my sonne my full executors of this my laste
will and Testamente

Wittnesses

John Oliver
John Bullimer
William fe[c?]ye [Fracye]
Richarde Berrie
William Meaplye and their marks.

T. Richard Berye de Langham

In dei nomine Amen the xxxth of September and in the xljth [^{sic}] yeare of the raigene of our
soveraigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England France & Ireland Queene Defendrer[sic]
of the faith etc witnesseth that Richard Bery of Langham in the County of Rutl Husbandman
beinge in body sicke, but in minde & memory sounde & perfect thankes be given to thalmighty
god Doe make this my laste will and testam^t in this order, first I comend my soule into the hands of
the almighty god my Creato^r, & to Jhesue Christe my onely & alone Saviour & Redemer & my body
to thearth from whence it came & to be buried in the churchyarde of Langham.

Item I give to the Cathedrall Church of Peterboroughe two pence

Item I give to the repaire of the Church of Langham three shillings foure pence

Item I give to Nicholas Bery my godsonne & nephewe twelve pence

Item I give to Johane Swan my godchild vj^d

Item I give to Richard Bery my sonne eight poundes in money

Item I give to Margaret Bery my Daughter six poundes thirteen shillings foure pence.

Item I give to John Berye my sonne the whole estate & interest in Langham, w^{ch} is the house &
~~that~~ ~~+~~ ~~?~~ in halfe yard land, wth halfe a meyne & land that I have in possession. Item further
I give to my sonne John twelve striks of pease, & six strik of barley

Item all the residue of my goodes moveable & immoveable I give to Margaret my wife beinge
not given & bequeathed who I make my full & sole Executrix of my last will & testam^t And
she to pay my Debtes & legaces & bringe my body honestly to the grounde. And that my
will shalbe performed I Doe make John Gray & my nephewe William Bery to be my faithfull
Superviso^{rs} in truste, and to see that all thinges be Done acordinge to my true meaninge,
and they to have three shillings betwixt them

In witness whereof I have putto my hand the day & yeare above written.

Item further I give to Margaret my wife and sole Executrix of this my laste will & testam^t from
my sonne John Bery one halfe coves pasture for this yeare to come, and two roodes of
arable land in two feildes for two yeares to come; and one roode of meadow in Westmore
for two yeares to come, And her dwellinge in the kitchen for two yeares, wthoute payeing
any rent but kepinge of it in repaire etc

Witnesses:

John Gray

Willm Bery

Richard Birket - writer, Minister [Curate]

Probatum fuit hoc pu[?]s testamtm apud Peterborough xxvij Die menses februaryj Ano
Dm 1599 [five more lines]

Testamentum William bery de Langham husbandman defuncti

In the name of God Amen the yere of our Lord god 1562 & the xx day of may I Wm / berye of langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman beinge in Good mynd and perfyct / Remembrance make my last wyll and testament In maner and forme folowinge

ffyrst I Bequeth my soule unto almightie God to all the holly company of heaven and my / body to be Buryed in the church of peter and paule In Langham aforesaid

Item I Bequeth / to the mother church of peterborough ijd

Item I Bequeth to the Reparacon of the / church of Langham vis viijd

Item I Bequeth to Rychard Bery my sonne the copy / of my halfe yard Land

Item I Bequeth to Thomas Bery my sonne the lease of my / howse

Item I Bequeth to Amos Browne tow Ewes and tow lambs

Item I Bequeth / to every God childe iiijd

The Resydue of my Goodes not Bequethed I Geve / & Bequeth to bery my wiffe and Thomas bery my sonne whom I make my / Executors Item my wiffe shalbe ruler of all of all and my sone not to medyll / wth nothings untyl such tyme as she [doth] mary and then that goodes to be parted / Equally betwyxt them Bothe the one half to my wiffe and the other half to my sonne / and his brothers and systerers and my debtes to be payd of the whole

wittnes Willm / gan curatt

umfrey cotton

nycolas bery

John bolymore and

George welstar

wth other / moo

FS [The name Welstar could possibly be Webstar

The grant of probate is partly torn and partly obscure.

The rest of it follows the usual format, date not visible, so I did not transcribe

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The Wyll of Sr Wyllym bronwend of langham

In the name of god Amen ye xviiij day of september in ye yere of or lord god ojt vc xlv [1545] \ I wylliam bronwend of Langham in ye paryshe of Okeham clarke consedyryng \ the faylures of my body and yt yre ys nothyng more sertane than deyth & the tyme \ ther of unsytaine & now lauded be god beyng of hol mynd and perfect rem \ brances make & ordere thys mye present testamt contynynge therin mye \ last wyll in maner & forme folowyng yt ys to saye fyrst I comend my soule \ unto Almyghty god my maker And Redemer & mye bodye to be buryd \ In the chansell at langham

It[em] I bequeth to ye mother church of petborow ijd \

It[em] I wyll yt All soche Dettys & dautyes as I nwe of reight & consyenes soe \ feer as mye goods wyll extend wele & truley to be contendy[es] and \ payd bye mye executor And of thys my present testament

I make andrew \ Welles mye true & faythfull executer and matt busby mye overseer

thes \ wyttness

andrew Gregory &

wylliam fox

wyth other moo \

Probatm et Testam coramhym doctore officarti antedicto ac proes
et ... vjth die octobris Ao dmn 1546 ... comiss.... fuit administrati est execitorio
in eodi noiat de..... ?alneomni

The testamnt and last Will \ of William Beson of langham \ \ In dei nominie Amen Ao dm 1556 the xxv daye \ of August I william Benson of langham make \ and order this my last will and testamnt in maner \ and forme folowing ffyrst I bequethe my soule \ unto almightie god my maker and Redemer \ by whose deathe and passion and pressious \ blode shedinge I trust to be an Inherytor of the \ kyngdome of heaven and to have there bye \ forgyffnes of my synnes amen ffirst I bequethe \ my bodye to be buried in chrystenmanes burial \

I bequethe to my paryshe church xijd towardes ... \ repayringe of the bodye of the church
I beq..... \ to the poore people of my paryshe of Langham \ vjs viijd

I bequethe to my mother Agnes bes..... \ vis viijd and ann elne of the best holland cloth \ in my howse

I bequethe to my brother henry \ beson my geldinge wth sadell and brydell and \ all things belonging to the same geldinge \

I bequethe to my children xiiij vjs viijd \ a pece of them that is amonge them liij vjs \ viijd and I will that the one shall survive the \ other that is to saye the one shalbe inheritor \ to the others porte[n?] yf god desire he should take \ anye of them as god destenes it and to be distr.... \ buted amonge the rest of them orderley \ And if ought should come to the said iiij chyl \ dren of otherwyse from good as god destenes yt before \ the come to the full age of xxj yeres then I \ will that the same some of moneye by be me bequ \ thed to the said iiij Chyldren shalbe geven unto \ the next of my kyn xlli of that some and th \ other xiiij vjs viiid unto poore maides marages to th.. \ number of xx poore maids that is xiijs iiijd ap...., \ by my executors and oversears And Also

I surrender uppe unto the hands of William of \ Langham for the use of my Son John beson \ one Cottage laite in thands of one John S[crease in paper] \ wth the bee hyves belonging to the said howse \

I bequethe to my uncle John ball a bonnet price \ vs and to his daughter Agnes ball a whyte \ Cappe price vs

Item one farme late in the hands \ of Ric Dyckman to be equallye devyded betwixte \ them too for the terme of the yeares that I have \ or shall have to come

And for forther I will \ that my wyffe Johne Beson shall have the \ custodye of ij of the said Children and \ their portions wth them

And my bro \ ther Harrye to have the other ij children \ and there portions wth them

also All \ the Resydue of my goods unbequethed \ my debts my legacies and my funeralle \ dyscharged I geve and bequethe to Jone \ beeson my wyffe

And I do order and make \ to be my full executors in this my last \ will Jone beeson my wyffe and Henrye \ beeson my brother and my oversear in \ this my Last will to be fulfilled John \ ball and he to have for his paynes ta \ kynge herin as is above declared And \ this my Last will and testamnt to stand \ in full ex effecte And hereunto wth him \

we are wyttinesses as hereafter foloweth \ the daye and yere above wrytten \

By me William go[mm?] MF[William Gan, the Minister] ie saltar

by me William \ Clarke and in the presens of Thomas \ harrison wth other mo there being pub.....

Continues next page ...

William Beeson of Langham 1557 - Contd

... qd hec pub.... testamentn supra scriptn....
probatn fuit apud London coram Judice ibn.....

FS[*the rest of the probate is not on my photocopy but the will was proved in 1557 -
the lines ending ... in the body of the will are because some letters are lost in the
binding of the probate book*

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FS[
elne = probably an ell. An ell is a measurement of length often used for cloth and varies
according to locality. An English ell was usually 45 inches
holland = fine linen cloth, expensive and imported from Holland where the soil was suited to
growing the best flax

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Testamentum Johis Browne de Langham

In the name of god amen the xxvij daie of Januarii in the twelfte yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth Quene of England ffraunce and Ireland defender of the ffaith etc wittneseth that I John Browne of Langham in the countie of Ruttd husbandman am in the parishe of Okhame sicke in bodie but wholl in mynde and memorie doo make this my last will & testament in manner and forme ffollowing

first I geve and bequeath my soule into the handes of almightie god and my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Langham in the parishe of Okhame,

Item I geve and bequeth to my Cosin John Browne and my wiffe Sysley all the wholl lease of my howse they twoo to paie my dettes betwixt them, also geve to my wiffe twoo neate with the pastures to them as long as she doth kepe her widow, yff she marie the all to go to the above named John Browne

Also I will that my wiffe yff she marie and doo not keep howse wth John Browne my Cosin then she to depart frome him wth halfe the crope of the wholl farme

Item I geve and bequeth to John Browne my Cosin and my wiffe betwixt them my six horses and maires to occupie wth together and yff my wiff marie then she to take ij of them wch she will and my Cosin John Browne the rest of them

also I geve to my Cosin John Browne and my wiff betwixt them the ij cartes the new cart wth the new tree to my Cosin John Browne and the old carte wth the olde Tree to my wiffe but yff my wiffe kepe her widowe then she to have as good parte in all as he as long as they occupie together

Also I will that the above named sowe there lands wth this wholl croppe that is in the yard and that wch is left to parte it equally betwixt them both in even and equall portions,

Item I geve and bequeth Cosin Marjorie Browne ij ewes and ij lambes,

Item I geve and bequeath to my wife three theves and one lambe of the best wch she will chuse,

I geve to Richard fraye one lambe,

I geve to Thomas Phillpott and John Phillpott one lambe betwixt them

Also I geve and bequeath my Cosin Marjorie Browne one halfe acre of wheat for vij years yearly, John Browne and my wife to sowe it for her also I geve to my cosin Marjorie xxis for that money I owe her, John Browne and my wife to paie her yt betwixt them both,

Itm I geve & bequeath to my Cosin Marjorie Browne one Rode of Barley yearly as long as my lease serveth,

Itm I geve to James Hutchinson my godson iiijd

I geve to Thomas Sharpe my godson iiijd

I geve to my goddaughter at littleborowes iiijd

I geve to my wife my best coffer and my Cosin Margerie the next

I geve to my wife my best covered and my Cosin margerie the best next,

I geve to my wife bothe my mattresses

I geve to my Cosin Marjorie my best kettle

I geve to my Cosin John Browne one table and one chaire when my wiffe his aunt partith from him

I geve to my Cosin John Browne my neathowse hovel and my wife the other hovel to laie theire Corne upon

Item I will that my v neat pastures be equally parted betwixt my Cosin John and my wiffe, Also I will that all my closes be equally parted and devided betwixt them twoo, also I geve to my wyffe yff She departe frome my Cosin John ij halfe acres yearly whilist my lease servith and halfe an am acre in the high medowe,

Allso I geve to my wife Cecillie and my Cosin margorie one cowe Betwixt them both

Allso I will that my wife geve my Cosin margerie one paire of shetes of terrihempe

Item I geve and bequeath to my cosin John Browne one paire of harden shetes, Allso I will that and my wiffe be calld out of this world that then my wiffe geve and returne iij half acres unto my Cosin John Browne one the next of the other acre whether my wyffe will geve it

Allso I geve unto Als Lambe one Roode of Barley yerly contynuing the tearme of my Lease my Cosin John Browne and my wife to sowe it plowe it for her

Also I geve to the church of Langham xxd

I geve to my Cosin John Browne my best coote and my best hoose

All the Rest of my goodes unbequethed I geve to my wiffe Cecillie whom I make executrix wth my executor John Brown they to paie my dettes to see my legacies Discharged my bodie honestly Brought to the ground In wittnesse hereof I the forsaid John Browne have setto my hand to this my last will and testament in the presente of these

Gregorie Phillipott
John howle
James Hubberd cum alijs

Propbatum fuit hoc
coram eodem in ora
..... Ano Dm 1570

FS [theve = female sheep of a particular age; a ewe of one or two years that has not had a lamb
Als=Alice? also MF[Alce]
terrihempe. I would expect this to say towe hemp but the letters are terri as far as we can tell
Littleborowes = There is a place named Littleborough south of Gainsborough which is a possibility
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Testamentum Johannis Browne senioris de Langham defunti Anno dm 1583

In the name of the Eternall God Amen the second daie / of Aprill and in the xxvth yeare of the Raigne of or Soveraign / lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance & Ireland / Queene Defender of the faith etc I John Browne of Langham thelder / wthin the countie of Rutland Laborer, beinge in bodie sicke but in mynd / and of perfect memorie (thankes be geven to god) doe make this to be / my last will and testament in maner and forme followinge ffirst / I commend my soule into thandes of my heavenlie father and to his / sonne christ my onlie savior and my bodie to the earth from whence / it came and to be buried in the churchyard of Langham Itm I geve / and bequeath to Cutbert Browne my sonne the lest and second pewter / platters, a porrenger, a folden table, a wollen coverlett, a pillow beare / a boulster, a paire of sheetes, one of flaxen & one of teare of hemepe / Itm I geve to Alice Browne my Daughter two platters, two / porrengers, one chaffingdyshe, one pillowe; wth a pillowe beare / one boulster and a paire of sheetes Itm the Resydewe of all my / goodes moveable and immoveable & not geven I geve & bequeath / to Alice my wiffe whoe I make my sole executrix of this my / last will and testament in this order that she shall bringe upp / the rest of my children wch are fyve in number untill they shalbe / able to be put fourth to service; & so gett their lyvinge yf not I / Will and my will is, that evry one of my fyve children shall have / his or their porcon equallie wth hir of all the rest of my goods / except before excepted And for that this my will & testament / may the better be performed I doe make Gregorie Phillipotte / my land lord my faithfull and trustie supervisore to se it to be done / accordinge to the true meanyng & intent thereof In Witnes / whereof I have setto my hand the daie & yeare first above / written Witnesses Gregorie Phillipotte, Robt Browne, Richard / Berrie & Ri Byrkett curat

Probate fuit hc coram me Johne Chippingdale

..... Quinto die mensis Octobris

Anno dm 1583

Executrici

Juren extendit ... somma de xl xvjs

Testatm Rici Browne de Langham

In ye name of god amen/ the yere of or lord god 1557o the xviiijth day of Aprill/ I Richarde Browne of langham in the countie of Rutlande husbandman beint in good mynde & perfect remembrance mak my last will & testament in maner and forme following. Ffirst I bequethe my soule to almightie god & to all the holy companie in heaven/& my bodie to be buried in the churche yard of peter & paule of langham above said

Item bequethe to the mother churche of peterborowe ijd

Item bequethe to the reparaconn of Langham churche ijd

Item bequethe to John Browne the elder my sone a horse fole j half acre of barley half an acre of pease a cart bodie & xs in money

Item bequethe to Amye Browne my Daughter a yong heifer a ewe & a lambe

Item bequethe to Elizabeth Browne my Daughter j yonge heifer j ewe & one lambe

Item bequeath to John Browne the yonger my sone a Dun colt and an ewe & a lambe

Item beqethe to Willm Browne my sone a blacke fillie j ewe & a lambe

The Residue of all my goodes not bequethed I gyve & bequethe to Margarett my wife whom I mak my executrix to dispose for my sowle & all FS[I think the next word is abbreviation for "Christian"] soules.

Witnes

William Gan curate

Humfrey Cotton

Willm Bery

Ric. Roc[?] wt other mooe

probatn fuit xijo de Decembris Ao dm
1557o ... administration comissage fuit
executrix Galbo Jure crimsr... etc

T Agneris Bullymere 1582 - In the name of the Eternall god Amen the xvijth day of April I Agnes Bullymore of Langhame within the Countye of Rutlande wydowe beinge in bodye sycke But in mynde sounde and of memorye perfecte thanks be given to Almightye God Doe mak this my laste Will and Testamente in manner and forme following. Ffirst I comende my soule into the handes of god whoe gave ytt And to his sonne Christe whoe hathe redeemed ytt, And my bodye to the earthe from whense ytt came.

- Item I gyve the beste Lambe hogge that I have to the repaire of the Churche of Langhame soe that a yearlye proffytte maye Redounde to the use of the said Churche accordinge to The discretion of the inhabytants;
- Item I gyve to my Daughter Joane Walingtone the beste bedd coveringe one pyed heyfer one olde cubbard A Roode of Barley And a Roode of pease presentlie to be delyvered after my death
- Item I give to John Bullymor the younger the beste halfe Acre of Barley that I have
- Item I gyve to Katheryne Leadbeater one calderne
- Item I gyve to John Leadbeater An ewe
- Item I gyve to Williame Leadbeater an Ewe
- Item I gyve to Agnes Leadbeater one Lambe hogge
- Item I gyve to Joane Leadbeater one lambe hogge
- Item I gyve to my sonne John Bullymores wife the beste kerchuffe I have
- Item I gyve to my Daughter Joyce Leadbeater one Roode of Barley And another of pease
- Item I gyge to my Sister Leiffe of Uppinghame a kerchiffe, A Bayle, And to [abbreviated, think it is Katherine] Leiffe her Daughter I gyve a calderne of a gallone to be Delyvered presentlie after my deathe
- Item I gyge to Williame Leverett And his Daughter one strik of Barley And Another of pease presentlie after my Deathe

Item I gyve a strik of Barley to be devyded amongste Thomas Berries children

The Resydewe of all my goodes movable and unmovable nott gyven and bequeathed I gyve and bequeathe to Laureunte Leadbeater my Daughters Daughter who I mak my full and sole Executrix of this my laste will and testament and shee to cause my bodye honestlie to be brought to the grounde payeing all manner of chardges and funerall expense whatsoever ys or shalbe done about this my Will.

And for the better performance thereof I constitute and appoynte my sonne John Bullymore to be my ffaithfull supervisor of this my laste will and testament to see that all things be performed accordinge to my true meaninge In Wittnes whereof I have sett my marks the Daye and yere first above wryton fforther I gyve to the poore in Langham xijd and to the mendinge of the high waye viijd

By me Agnes Bullymor

wytnes Robt R Burkett warden MF[Minister]

Thomas berry

James Jackesone

Probatin fuit Testm.....

Laurencie Leadbeater exec in ordinary

FS [I am told that the name in the probate grant is the feminine of Laurence so accords with there being a girl called Laurence in the will]

Testamentn John Bullymer de Langham dest Anno Dom1571

In the name of God amen the 10th day of December Anno Dom 1571 I John Bullymer of Langham in the county of Rutland husbandman being sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance god be praised doe make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz

first I bequeath my Soule to almighty god throughe Jesus Christ by whom I hope steadfastly to be saved and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Langham aforesaid

Also I give to the mother church of Peterborough 4s and to the church of Langham to maintain the same 3s 4d and to the poor 2s

Also I give and bequeath to Anne Bullymer my wife 11 roods of land in evry field during her life and after her decease three roods of the same in evry field I give to Cutbert my son during my lease William my son to plough it dress it and sow it as he doth his own saving that they and either of them find seed for the same rent free

Also I give to Anne my wife one neates pasture one half aker in the hye meddow of the lanye 2 neate at her choice and a lytle bag of barley and a pig to be put to the rycke

Also I give to my son William Bullymer my lease of my farm with all such implements here named a penne[pan] in the kitchen another in the hall a table a forme a chair an ark [chest or coffer] in the parlor a bedstead a mattress a pair of towe hemp sheets a covered an old brass pot one platter two treaves [trivets] in the kitchen and when my wife hath her two neyte and my daughter Jane her brindle cow and a red heafer[heifer] then then all the rest without doors to remain to my son William

I give to Joane my daughter 20s in money the two neyte aforesaid one bushel of malt one stryke of wheat

I give to Cutbert one of my best horses and if he tarry with his brother at 12 years end 53s 4d or else when he is disposed to go from him a red calfe which was last calved two ewes and lambs at his choice one quarter of malt another of pease

I give to Lawrence a bullock of three years old at 12 years of age and to her [the word written is either her or ther, their would give a better sense] brother William an ewe and a lamb to Joyce my daughter half a quarter of malt and a black heifer to John Wamesley a lamb to my wife's sister at may day come 12 months an ewe and a lamb

Also I make and ordain William and John Bullymer my sons William my Executor and John Bullymer and Thomas Berye my Supervisors and for their pains to have 12d a year in witness whereof I the said John Bullymer set my hand the day and year first above written.

Testamtn Emme Bushe de [crossed out] Langham desc / /

In the name of god Amen Ao Dm 1562 visecinno nono die men aprilis / I Eeme Bushe of langham in the counti of [crossed out] Rutland being in / good mynd and perfett remembrance make my last will and testament / In maner and forme ffolowyng fyrst I Bequeth my sowle unto / allmighti god and to all the holly company of heven and my / Body to be Buryed in the church of peter and pawle in langham afor / said

Itm I Bequeth to the mother church of peterborowe ijd

Itm I bequeth to the repacone of langhame church xxd

Itm Bequeth to Sr William gan xijd

Itm I Bequeth to Jone Bushe the / Daughter of hary Bushe tow kye one covered iij payre of shetts / iij of flaxon ij of towe hempe iij of harden ij Bordcloths / ij towelles ij napkyne ij smokes ij pelowes one bolster a poott / & a panne ij caondlstickes ij platters one Ewe and a lambe iij / yardes of Russet clothe iij yardes of whytt clothe and xxs of / money

Item I Bequeth to Isabell hubherde a payre of / shetts one of flaxen another of towe hempe a towel a platte / a vyelet kyrtell a smoke

Item I Bequeth to Richard hubherd / and to John hubherd one Ewe ande a lame

Itm I / Bequeth to Georg neyle a Rode of barley one lame

Item I / Bequeth to Richarde Bushe one Ewe and cowe

Itm I / Bequeth to heleyne Bushe a cowe

Item I Bequeth to / Jeyne hubherde a rede petycoatt a smoke a napurne / a ketchefe

Itm I Bequeth to Jone cansley a whytt / petycoatt a smoke a napurne a kerchere

Itm I Bequeth / to every god childe iijjd

The Resydue of all my / goods not Bequethede I geve and Bequeth to John / Bushe my sone whom I make my executor to / dispose for my sowle and all christen sowlles /

FS [Witnesses and Probate must be on the following page, we do not have the image

a napurne = an apron

smoke = smock

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In the name of god amen in the yer of or lord god \ 1562 the xxiiij day of may I Thomas bushe of \ langham in the countie of rutlande being in good \ mynd and perft memory make my last will & \ testament in maner & form folowing ffirst \ I beqthe my soule to allmightie god and to all the hye \ companye of heaven and my bodye to be buried \ in the churche yarde of peter & paule in langhm \ aforesaid

Item I beqthe to the mother churche of \ peterborow iiijd

Item I beqthe to the chuurche \ of langham ijs

Item I beqthe to the poore people \ in langham iijs iiijd

Item I beqthe to the mendyng \ of the brigges xxd

Item I beqthe to george neale \ iijs iiijd

Item I beqthe to every godchild iiijd \

Item I beqthe to Jone bushe iiijli to be paid at \ the day of her mariage & a paire of carte \ wheles yron bounde after the deathe of my wife \

Item I beqthe to John bushe my sone my draugh \ beasses carte and carte geres plow & plow geres \

The residue of all my goodles not bequethed \ I give and beqth to anne bushe my wif whom \ I make my executrix to dispose for my soule \ and all christen Wittnes

William gan curat \

richard [pi]tt

James hubberd

gregorie welles \

henry filypot

william [tauesley]

wth other moo

Probatum fuit ... testum xxo dieao

Dm 1562 coram venle viro ... Wm bynesley et

archius nortampton audire ac p.....

et murat ... comissa ... fuit adminstra &

et exhit inventar bonorum

extendibat ad xxiiijli viijs

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[draugh beasses = ox team

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Sir Francis Butler - 1532

Inventory surveyed to a sum clear of all deductions and allowances £6 10s 8d

In the name of God Amen, this 24th day of June the yer off our lord Gode, 1532 I Sir Fraunces Butler prest off Haloughton hale off mynd ande in perfytt memory maike my testament ande Last Wyll in manner and forme following

Fyrst I bequeth my soll unto Almighty God & to his blessed mother Sent Mary and to all ye holly compeny In heven and my body to be berryd in the chryche yerde off Sent Michael off Halaton Aforeseyd

Item to ye Hy Halter off Halaton - 4 pence

Item to a Preste to syng A trenteall - 10 pence

Item to my brother dwelling with Mester Harryngton 6 shilling & 8 pence or my syde gowne

Item to William Hubbard In ye bedhowsse off Hocam 12 pence

Item to sir Jhon Holland channoces in Laund Habbbey 12 pence

Item to Wilham Wattson all my bedyng & my fresse gowne

Item to Wilham Homeis my gowne that reymeneth in his handes

Item I will that sir Edmond Oliver shall go on Pyllgramage to ouer blessyd lady of Wailssyngham and to ouer lady off Oldwell to Saunt Elyn off Langham to Saunt Augusten off Bestow & to Sant Mawrell off Hallaton

Item to sir Edmond Oliver my best gowne and the resydew off my godes nott bequetyd I orden and make trew and lawfull exsecutors that he mey orden and disposses them for the welthe off my soll as he I thynke is most nedful to Answer to God att ye dey o doome.

thesse wittnes

Sir Edmond Olyver

Wylham Wattson

Wylham Homeis with others

The testamnt and last will of / Rychard Chadwicke of Langham

In the name of god amen Anno dm 1556 the xxvi / Daye of november I Ric Chadwycke of Langham / in the countie of Rutland in the Dyoces of peter / Borough beyng in hole mynd and perfect rem / Berannce make my Last will and test in maner / and forme folowinge first I bequeth my soule / to almightie god to or Ladie seynt marie and / to all the hollie company in heaven and / my body to be buried in the church yard of / St peter and pawle in Langham aforsaid

Item I bequethe to the church of peturborowe / vjd

Item I bequethe to the highe aulter as for / gotten tythes xijd

Item I bequethe to the / church of Langham vs

Item I bequethe to Mar / gerie chadwycke my mother vli

Item I bequethe / to eme chadwycke my syster v marks

Item I bequethe to Dorythe chadwycke my Daughter / xli

Item I bequethe to Luce chadwycke my daughter / xli and yf one of them die thone of them shall / have the whole Also my wyf shall kepe them / at her costs and charges tyll they be xvj yeares / of Age wt meat drynge and clothe and deliver / them there partes at the Daye of mariage or else / at xxj yeares of age

Item I bequethe to the pore / people xls

The Resydue of all my goods / not bequethed I geve and bequethe to Anne / chadwycke my wyf whome I make myn / executrix to dispose for my soule and all xten / soules Also I will that the child in her body / shall have xxli yf yt do Lyve and Mrs / haryngton of exton be supervisor of this my last / will and she to have for her paynes takynge vs /

wytnes

william gan curat

William waren

Thomas Wodcoke

Thomas Reynes wt other moor /

Probatum fuit hoc pres testm superscripto coram nobis ... / lyusley in legibus ... vij die Decembris Ao Dm / 1556 Commissas fuit administratio et exocutrix in eodo / sesto nomrate et debita imis forma inuato / /

William Clarke - 1562

Transcription of notes from Alan Bernard Clarke, in possession of Ashley Roger Tindale Clarke

Transcribed by Alan Clarke 4th November 2005

P. C. C. Streat, 19

I desire to be buried in the Church of St Peter & St Paul, Langham & I give to the repairs of the same 20s. & to the mother church of Peterboro' 12d.

To the repair of the bridge in Okehamborne, Langham, 20s., & to the poor in Langham, 20s.

To the poor of Wissonden [Whissendine] 20s., of Ashwell 3s. 4d., of Orton 3s. 4d., of Okeham 10s., of Borth by Okeham 3s. 4d..

To my daughter, Dorothy Clark, £100.

To my wife, Elizabeth, all my goods & chattels in Langham, my beasts, plate, &c, & £20.

To my son, Bartholemew, my raiments.

To my brother, John Clarke, £4.

To Richard Jackson of Burley, 20s. & to my godson, John Jackson, 3s. 4d.

Small money legacies to Henry Scot, John Ison, Robert Finkill, Elizabeth Palmer, Alice Baxter, Joseph Sullson, Cicely Busschley, John Nortor, Joan Parr.

To Roger & William, sons of my son Bartholemew Clarke, £5 each.

To the unborn child of Frances, wife of my son Roger Clarke, £5.

Residuary legatees & executors :- my sons, Roger & Bartholemew Clarke.

Signed :- (mark)

Witnesses :-

Mathew Gulson

Cutbert Facett

Nowell Lloyd

Richard Jackson

Henry Baxter

Barthelemew Clark

Will dated 28th May 1562, William Clarke, yeoman, of Langham, Rutland.

Proved :- 23 July 1562, by Roger Clark; power reserved to the other executors.

In the name of god amen In the Year of or Lord god one thousand five hundred & fiftie & five the xxvth Daye of June I Richard Dyckman of Langham in ye Countie of Rutland & in the Dyocese of Peterborough beinge of hole mynde and god Remembrance make my Laste Wyll & testament in manner & forme followinge

Fyrste I bequethe my soule to allmygtie god & to or Ladye saynte Mary and to all the wholly company of Haven & my bodye to be buryed in the Churche yarde of peter & paul in Langham afforesaide

Item I bequeath to the highe aulter ye mother Churche of Peterborough iiijd

Item I bequeathe to y hye aulter for forgotten tythes & oblacent xijd

Item I bequeath to the Church of Langham iiijs

Item I bequeathe to Elizabeth Dyckman my wyffe xxti marks

Item The Residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I give & bequeathe to Humefrey Dyckeman & Thomas Dyckeman my sonnes whom I make myne Executoures of this my last wyll & Testamente equally & indifferently to be Devydid between the said Homefrey & Thome and if it happen eyther of my said to sonnes to depart this world before the other that then I will yt the longer lyver to have the whole

Also I wyll that Willm pyttes & Henry Beason to be Supervisors of & Rulers of my goods to the behoofe of my ij children Humefrey & Thomas and they to have for there paynes takeings in the same vis viijd apece

Wittenes [unclear on photocopy]

John Hukeling curat [Minister]

Nicholes & [Henry]

Ryc [Taylor] with other

FS [need to look at film again to decipher other witnesses and date of probate]

T John Edgson de Langham

In the Name of the eternalle God Amen the xvth daye of October in the xxixth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne ladye Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and Irelaynde Queene defendouer of the faythe etc Wittnesseth that I John Egson of Langham in the Countye of Rutland husbandman Beinge in Bodye sicke and weake but in mynde whole and sounde and of perfect Remembrance Thankes be given to the almightye doe make this to be my last will and Testament in this forme and Order

- First I comende my soule into the handes of almighty god who gave it and to my savioure his sonne Christ whoe hath redeemed yt and my bodye to the earthe from whence it came and to be buried in the Churche yarde of Langham
- Item I gyve and bequeathe to the cathedral churche of Peterborouge ijd
- Item I gyve and bequeathe to the repayre of the Churche of Langham vjd
- Item I gyve and bequeathe to Marye Edgson my Daughter one heffer of iij yeares oulde and xx^s in money to be delivered hir at the age of xxi yeares and also to alyce Agnes and Elizabeth my Daughters I gyve the like porcyones and to be delivered at there severall ages of xxi yeares old
- Item I gyve to Thomas Edgson and to William Edgson my sonnes xl^s apiece to be delivered at there Ages of xxi yeares and yf yt shall anye of them to depart this world before the Come to there Ages of xxi yeares then I will and my will ys that he or shee that dyeth there partes shall remayne to the supervisors
- Item the residue of all my goodes not given and bequeathed I gyve to Elizabeth my wyfe and to Nicholas my sonne whome I make my full and sole executrix of this my last will and Testamente and the to pay all my debtes and legacyes whatsoe I owe or hathe given in this my last will and Testamente And for the better performinge of this my last will I committee my whole trust unto William Edgson and to my brother in law Nicholas Daye whome I make ordayne and apoyntt to be Supervisoures of this my last will and Testamente and they to have for there paynes xij^{ds} apiece and further I will that the two shall end all matters and controversye Betwyxte my wife and my sonne yf any shall hereafter Ryse or growe in and about this my last will and Testament and that there be not wronge offered or [injury] thereof them but the Residue of the goodes and ferme shalbe equally devided Betwyxte my wife and my sonne withoute sute in Law In Wittnesse whereof I have set to my hande and marke the daye and yeare firste above written

Witnesses

John Bullymer
Thomas Berrye
Henry Huberde
William Edgson above sayde with others
By me John Edgson

Probatum fuit hummoi suprascriptum

..... Oundell

meo Henrico Hickman ll D: au.... Anno

Testm Nicholii Edgeson de Langham des[?] A° Dm 1569

In the name of god Amen the xiiijth daie of marche A° Dm 1569 I Nicholas Edgson of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman beinge sicke in body but hoole in mynd and memory god be thancked doo make and ordeyne this my last will and testament in manner and forme followyng vis

First I give and bequeth my soule to almightie god and to all the heavenly company and my body to the earthe to be buried in the churche yard of Langham aforesaid

I give to the mother churche of peturboroughe iiij^d

I give to the churche of Langham ij^s

I give to every godchild iiij^d a pece

I give and bequeth to my sonne Willm Edgeston vj ewes and xx^s of money

I give to Agnes his wife ij lambe hogges

I give to nicholas Willm Edgeston sonne one lambe hogge

I give and bequeth to Willm Waters and to his wife iiij ewes and to ij of there children eyther of them an ewe that is vj in the hoole

Item I give and bequeth to Isabell Edgeston my Daughter half of all the house holde stuffe There[?]oghe owte in every place three kye and vj shepe

I give and bequeth to Ales Edgeston my wiffe the uther halfe of my household wth Isabell my Daughter and xiiij^s iiij^d a debte done at michaelmas to me by Richard redmyle and yf yt chance that she doo remayne in house wth John Edgeston my sonne and agree well together then the said John to fynd her all thinges necessary and to lett her have one halffe akar of barly and one halffe akar of pease yearly and yf yt chance that they due not agree and remayne to gether then the said John shall give to my said wife one akar of pease and one akar of barlie yearly duringe her lyffe allso a cowe wth a coves grasse

The rest of all my goods unbequethed my debts paid my legacies performed and my funerall expenses dyscharged I geve & bequeth to John Edgeston my sonne whome I make and ordain of this my last will & testament my full and hoole executo^r And futher moore I make and ordain ^{supvisas} of this my last will and testament my neegbo^{rs} Willm pytte and henrie beston and for there paynes bequethe and geve to eythar of them xij^d In wytnesse whereof I the abovesayd

Nicholas Edgeston dyd setto my hand or marke the Daie and yeare first above written

Juron^{er} extendit)

) xliij^d vj^s viij^d

ad su^{er}man)

Probat fuit hac ... testamentum coram meo Jacobe Ellys

... archini maigi^m officiali xx^e die

monse Octobris A° Dm 1569

[two more lines]

Cuthbert Fawcet - 1574

Testatm Cutberti ffawcet de Langham D of or Domm 1574 / xxxjth Die mensis Decembris Ano perperm Elizabeth xvijo

In the name of god Amen the daie and yeare abovesaid I Cutbert / ffawcet of Langham in the Countie of Rutland notarie sycke in bodie but / whole in memorie I geve god thanks Doe ordeine and make this / my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge viz / ffirst I bequethe my soule to almightie god my maker & redemer trus / tinge throughe the merits and passion of his bloude to be saved / and my bodie to be buried within the Church or churchyard afore / said whether yt shall please my Executors Item I geve to the repairinge / of this same Church of Langham vjs viijd conditionally that yt shall / not be employed to any other use Item I geve towards the reparyinge of / the bridges and Carsins wthin the towne of Langham vjs viijd Item I / geve and bequethe to Ellen ffawcet my wiffe the Reversion of my yeares / in my Lease of ii yarde Lands and the Crophe that ys sowen in the / grounde wth all the household stuff conditionally that she shall paie all / my detts as ye specyfyed in a bill subscribed by the said Cutbert also / I geve to Simon hodgekin otherwyse cawled Simon ffawcet the reversion / of my yeares in moregore after Henrie manes tytle ys owte, and one / heckfair of iiij yeares olde a coote a dublett a paire of hoose & a sherte / Itm I geve to Isabell hopkyns vs Itm I geve to John Hallam[or sallam?] iijs iiijd Itm / I geve to be distributed to the poore in Langham at the discrecon of my / Supervisors xs Itm I geve to iiij men that shall beare me to churche / every one xijd Itm I geve to Henrie shortereede of Okeham vjs viijd / The Residue of all my goodes as afore deducted I geve & beqth to / Ellen ffawcet my wiffe whome I make my full executrix and / also I make and ordine Willm Shortred of Okeham and Thomas / Herde of Ashwell supervisors of this my said Last will & testamt / to whome I geve xs a pece desyrynge them to take yt in good parte / Itm I geve to Willm ffreman thelder an ewe shepe Itm I geve to / everye one of my godchildren vjd a peece Itm I geve to James Jaxon / vs In wytnis whereof I have setto my hand and seale the daye / & yeare abovesaid Per me Cutbert ffawcett

Testes Wm / Shortred John Hall older Henrie shortred Richard Kerley cm alijs

Probatum fuit hoc pus testatm coram mag...ro

... .. deput ...Richi Telentyre m

...bone dm archhini Noeht offilis Ltie subsat

xix die mensis martii Ao dm 1574 Comis

... fuit adminstrato etc Executrixteste

notate et JurateJure Datum per

Et exhibit est Juren bonerum ...pro... desud som xxxvij l [this is the value of the estate]

note there ys an obligacon remaynyng wth the inventory for paymt of the legacies [vijs ijd] above specyfyed

[it is unclear if the vijs ijd refers to the obligation or if it has slipped from the line above and the value of the estate should be xxxvijl vijs ijd, it would help if we could find the inventory]

In the name of God amen The satterdaye in easter weeke last past betweene / seven and tenne
of the clocke in the forenone of the same daye, Ellen ffauset of the towne of / Langham in the
countye of Rutland and Diocese of Peterborowe widow beinge of perfect / minde and memory but
sicke in bodie, made and Declared her last will and testament noncupative / in manner and forme
following, that is to saye /

ffirst she recomended her soule unto almyhtie / god and willed her bodie should be buried in the
churche of langham, wheras she was an / parishenr Item she gave and bequeathed all and singular
her goodes, cattles and Dettes wch god / had lent her and endued her withall in this world, unto
William Shortred of Oakham in / the said countie whom she made her soule executor and said
that non but he shold have the / Dealinge with her goodes, though she had bene moved to bestow
them other wise, thes beinge / Witnesses

John Bullymere

John Baule

Richard Philpot and other

Probatum fuit suprascriptum testasmentum coram Quis apud London decimo septimo
Dit mensis Maij Anno dm millimo quingentesimo Septnagesimo quinto Juramento William Sh-
Etred executoris in hymbd testasminto noiat Ac approbatum
Informatoum et comissa fuit Administraco omni et
Singulorum bonorum et pefat extent de bene ... At
Deple... et fideli Invent de plano et ..ro reme.. Widdond ...Jurat

Testatm Edmundi ffreman de Langham

In the name of god amen the yere of or lord god ... lix the xijjth Daie of August I Edmund ffreman of Langham in the Contie of rutland being in good mynde & remembrance mak my last will & Tstament in maner and forme flowing

ffirst I bequethe my Soule to almightie god to all blessed companye in heaven and my bodie to be buried in the church yarde of peter and paule of Langham aforesaide

Item begethe to the mother church of peterborowe iiijd

Item to the reparacon of Langham churche xiijs iiijd

Item begethe to the reparacion of haroby churche iijs iiijd

Item begethe to ye reparacon of colson Bassett churche vjs viiijd

Item begethe to every hopuse in Langham iiijd

Item begethe to Robert Beckes of colson bassytt a coat & to every childe that he hath xijd

Item bequeath to every godchild iiijd

Item bequeath to Ric Huc[abbreviation mark] a coat & to every child that he hath xijd

Item bequethe to Alyce ffreman my wife half my household within the howse my croppe ij Kie ix shepee vj kyne iij hyves iijls in money and my howse wth the half yarde land so long as she kepe her un married sothat she mak no wast of the gronde

Item bequethe to the briges that havemost need xs

Item begethe to the making of ye cawsye iijs iiijd

Item bequethe to Sibbell ffreman five marke & the howse at barre

Item bequethe to Agnes ffreman v marke

Item bequethe to John ffreman my brother a silver spone & xxs

Item bequethe to Gregorye Welles a silver spone

Item begeth to William Webster a silver spone

Item bequeath to Jone Warde an ewe & a lambe

The residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve & bequethe to Edmunde ffreman & Margery ffreman whom I mak my executors to Dispoose for my soule & all christen sowles

Also if any of the children aforenamed die the part shall goo to the rest so long as the lyve also yee that shall have there parts inkeping shalbe bound to delyver yt agayne when the shalbe able to occupie the same them selves also I will yt theies men Thomas ball John freman James Smythe & gregorie Welles to be oversears of my will performed and the to have for their paynes takynge vjs viiijd a pece

Witnes hereof

William gan curat

Thomas Welles

Thomas Ball

James Smythe

John ffreman

gregorie welles with other moor

Also I will that the conter the amber & the forme be here longing to the howse

Probatum fuit xij die Decembris Ao

Dm 1559 ...administratio ...

Testatm Johns ffreman de Langham

In ye name of God Amen In the yere of or lord god 1559 and the xviiij daye of October I John ffreman of Langham in the countie of Rutland beinge in good mynd and perfect remembrance make my last will and testament in maner and forme foloweinge ffirst I bequethe my sowle to almighty god and to all the holy companye in heaven and my bodie to be buried in the church of peter & paule in langham aforesaid

- Item bequeath to Katherin ffreman my wiffe foure of the beste shepe ij brasse pottes iij platters iij pewter Dyshes iij candlestickes j ketle j pan iij hyves j chafing dyshe ij coverlyttes a fether bed a matres vij pare of sheets halfe the pillows ij of the best coffers ij tables ij pailles an Ambrey a heycr a forme a stole a bradiron pott hangills a fryeng pan all the woullen yarne bell hempe [to...der] fyer shovell iij tubbes j tymnell ij bedsteads iij quyshines
- Item bequeth to Alyce ffreman my sister a silver spone and iij shepe
- Item bequeth to Robert Wilbard my best coat
- Item I bequethe to Robert Beckes of Colson bassitt a buckeskyne dublytt and to his iij daughters iij shepe iij pewter dyshes and iij candlesticks and to his ij sones ij shepe
- Item bequeth to Richard hus my fryse coat j shepe and to his sonne j shepe
- Item bequeath to William mydowes my best russitt coat a lether dublytt the best shirte save j a paire of hose a bonytt a pare of shows
- Item bequeth to Mr Clarke a silver spone a silver ring & a shepe
- Item bequeath to the bells ijd
- Item bequeath to every godchild j shepe
- Item bequeath to sir Wm Gan my brydill my best bonytt
- Item bequeath to Brian Linn [or Lunn?] my best Dublytt and a grene jackytt
- Item bequethe to Agnes ffreman a brasse pott a pewter dyshe and a candlestick
- Item bequethe to Agnes Wygins a coverlytt a pewter dyshe a candlestick
- Item bequethe to Willm Bagly a shirte

The residue of all my goodes not bequethed I Gyve to Wm Clarke & Robt Ivies whom I make my execuores to dispose for my sowle and all christen sowles

Witnes

William Gan curat

William Clarke

Robert Ivis

Wm medow

wth other mooe

- Item I bequeth to Gregory Welles the best arke
- Item I bequethe to Margaret Welles a crampe ringe of silver
- Item bequethe to Wm Clark my sadill
- Item bequethe to Robert Ivis ij hyves of the beste

Probatum fuit Martij Ao Dm 1559

... administracio commssage fuit executor ibz

... Galbo jure ...

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Ambrey	Early type of large cupboard with doors, usually for food. But later used for books, linen, clothes, etc.
Heyrc	Word not found, I wonder if he means an ark which has harkys or herks as alternative spellings - however he spells ark as arke further down so perhaps not. A heck is a rack for hay but is also used for a rack for cheese, is this another possibility?
Chafing dish	A chafer was a small, closed, transportable brazier containing burning charcoal. A chafing dish was placed on this to contain food and keep it warm.
Bradiron	A metal stand for a kettle or a trivet for supporting cooking pots over the embers of a fire.
Hangills	Iron hooks for hanging a cooking pot over the fire.
to...der	This word could not be read. May have something to do with removing the towe (coarse fibres) from flax or hemp before spinning.
Tymnell	Possibly turnell, which is a large oval tub. Especially one used for salting meat, kneading bread, or putting under a cheese press.
Quyshines	Cushions?
Dublytt	A close-fitting body garment, with or without sleeves, worn by men and sometimes women, from the fourteenth to eighteenth centuries.
Fryse	Frieze; a thick coarse woollen cloth with a nap on one side., used for outer garments.
Arke	Chest or coffer with a domed lid.
Crampe	Word not found but obviously descriptive of the silver ring. The English Year compiled by Roy Strong and Julia Trevelyan Oman explains that on Good Friday, like Christmas a day on which all business is suspended, <i>“The king went through the ceremony of blessing certain rings, to be distributed among the people, who accepted them as infallible cures for cramp.</i> <i>Coming in state into his chapel, he found a crucifix laid upon a cushion, and a carpet spread on the ground before it. The monarch crept along the carpet to the crucifix, as a token of his humility, and there blessed the rings in a silver basin, kneeling all the time, with his almoner kneeling likewise by his side. After this was done, the queen and her ladies came in, and likewise crept to the cross.</i> <i>The blessing of the cramp-rings is believed to have taken its rise in the efficacy for that disease supposed to reside in a ring of Edward the Confessor, which used to be kept in Westminster Abbey.”</i>

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In the name of god amen The xxijtie Day of July ao Dm 1577 in the xjxth year of Our Sovereigne Lady Quene Elizabeth etc I John Gilbourne of Langham in ye countie of Ruttlande husbandman sick in body but whole in mynde & memory god be prayed do make & ordayne this my last will and testament in manner & forme followinge viz

Ffirst I bequeathe my soule to allmigtie god & my bodye to ye yearthe etc

Item I geve to ye mother church of Peterborough ijd

Item I geve to ye repayringe of ye church of Langham xijd

Item I geve to Agnes Gilbourne my Daughter a browwhitebackte cow & certayne money that I owe hir ij strikes of barley j olde aumbrye one charger one payr of harden sheetes

Item I geve to Jane gilbert my Daughter a blacke herfer of iij yeares olde one platter one payre of harden shetes

Item I geve to Izabell Gilbourne my daughter a calf of a yeare old one payre of sheets one charger

Item I geve to Alice Willborne my Daughter a blacke whitefaced calf

Item I geve to Phillipe Willborne hir husbände one roode of pease

Item I geve to Nicholas Gilbourne my sonne j [word & insertion not read] steare a yeare & half olde vs in money to be payd half a yeare after my decease & vs a yeare after yt, All ye rest of my goodes unbeque thed my Debtes payde legacies and funnerals discharged I geve to Thomas my sonne whom I make my full executor

Item I geve to Brigget Jonysonne my Daughter j strike of Rye j strike of barley & one strike of malte

Item I geve to Alice Gilborne Thomas his Daughter j flaxen towel

In wittnes herof

Christopher Johnson curate

Bartholomewe clark

Edwarde [.....]

Mathewe folden

Wm Shene

wth others

Probatum fuit hoc pus testamento Supra Script cora meo

Talantire officialii an... vijo Octobris Ao 1577 comissay

fuit adminstracis executori in ... testo ... et Jurat

palno Jure Oct oxhit est imben summum xijj[?] ijs ivd

Henry Hill of Langham - 1555

The testament & last will of Henry / Hill of Langham

In the name of god amen in the yere of our Lord god 1555 ye / xiiij Daye of november I henry hill
in the countye of Rutland / in the doc of peterborowe beyng in hole mynde and good /
rememberance make my testament in this maner first / I bequeth my sole to almightie god to our
Lady St marie and to all the holy company of heaven and my body to be / buried in the church
yard of St peter and pawle in Langham /

Item I bequeth to the mother church of peterborowe ijd

Item / I bequeth to the hie alter of forgotten tythes xijd I bequeath / to the bells xijd

The Residue of all my goods rents repar= / acionns and my debts payd I geve to Ales hyll my wyf
and / to John hill my sone to be parted even betwixt them fyld / and trewe whome I make my
executors to dispose for / my sole and all christen soles

wittnes

Sr william gan / curat

Agnes traforde

wt other moore and

william Dicman / to be my overseer

Probatum fuit hoc euis testm suprascripto

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..... xx die aprilis anno 1556.....[20th April 1556]

fuit administratio ...

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In the name of God amen In the year of our Lorde god MVCXLIIII the 16th Daye of the month of September I Richard Hubbard of Langham in the countie of Rutland in the Diocese of Peterborough do make my Testament in this manner

First I bequeath my soule to allmyghtie god and to our Lady and to all the saints in hevyn my body to be buryed in the churche yarde of saint peter and paule in Langham

Item I bequeath to the mother church of Peterborough VIId

Item I bequeath to the aulter as for coffin tythes XIId

Item I bequeath to my parish church half quarter of malt and to the bells XIIId

Item I bequeath to oure Ladye gild a halffe a quarter of malt

Item I bequeath to Alice Hubbard my daughter a cowe a calfe a Bason a laver with a pan

The Residue of all my goods unbequeathed I gyve and bequeath to Margrett Hubbard my wyffe and John Hubbard and James Hubbard my sonnes and make thym my trew executors to dispose for my sowlle and all christen Sowles

and I will that Margett Hubbard my wyff to have one yard lande

and John Hubbard and James Hubbard to have other yardland

If Margrett Hubbard my wiff marry (away or again?) from them the said Margrett to leave carte and carte geres plough and plough geres then John Hubbard to have one yardland and the other yardland James Hubbard to have

Witness

Sir William Bronwynde

John Ball

Edmunde Ffreman

John Royce

Thomas Weley

Thomas Bagley with other supervisour John Ball

Jacobi [James] Hubberd - 1589

In dei nomine Amen The vijth day of Marche in the yeare of our Lord god 1589 Anno Regni dom [?] Eliz dei gra Angl ffranc et Hibnie Regine fidi defensor etc [?resimo] primo I James Hubberde Of Langrom in the County of Rutland husbandman being sicke in bodye & in perfect memory do make & ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following that is to say

ffirst I comit my soule unto the hands of my Lord Jesus Christ who dyed for me & all mankind desiring Almighty God to pardon & forgive me of all my former misdeeds & offences & to receive My soule into eternall life amongst the elect & chosen of God & there to rest & contynewe world without ende & my body to be buried in the churche & chappell of Langrom

In primis

I give & bequeathe to the churche of Lincolne 4d Item

I give & bequeathe to Richard Hubberd my sonne all my leases & chattels with the appurtenances situate & being in Langrom during the terme of the yeares of the said leases & all my other goodes moveable & unmoveable onely excepted those goodes & other thinges which hereafter in this my will I will dispose & give & also I give to the said Richard my sonne all my debts that be owing unto me

Item I will that Isabell my wife shall remayne with my sonne Richard & have her fynding with sufficient meate & drinke & clothing & all other thinges necessarye to her maintenance during her natural life & if the said Isabell my wife shall mislike at anytime of her fynding & other thinges that she is to have I will then that she shall have one Tenement house in the tenure & occupation of John Lee situate in Langrom with all other houses & [word obscured, marks on copy] to the same belonging ij milsh kye & ij Acres of Arrable lande in everye of the three fields of Langrom & one lode of hay during her naturall life to be planted dressed at the proper costes & charges of Richard my sonne or his assignes my wife fynding seed for the said ij acres of lande & my sonne Richard to carry the Corne & lode of hays that shall growe & increase upon the same lande unto the said tenement during the terme of my lease, if my wife so long do live

Item I give to Isabell my wife ij bedsteads with furniture thereunto iiij peces of pewter & one Cubborde that standes in the hall

Item I give & bequeathe unto John Hubberd my sonne One cottage howse now in the tenure of Ales greetom & Margerye Hewit my sisters after their deceases during so many yeares as shall be then to come & unexpired in my lease last taken of the same howse & one Acre of Arrable lande in every of the three fields of Langrom & yearly at every half yeare Xs, if the said John Hubberd so longe do live

Item I give & bequeath to my sisters Ales Greetom & Margery Hewit yearly half a [quarter?] of bread corne to be paid by Richard my sonne during their naturall lives

Item I give to every one of my sonne Richards children one Ewe & a lambe & one calf which calves are to be kept of the charges of my sonne Richard until they be iij yeares old

Item I give to Jone Raines & Isabell Raines my daughters children, to every of them one calf to be kept at the Charges of my sonne Richard until they be iij yeares old & to every one of the Residew of her children Xs to be paid by Richard my sonne

Item I give to The repayre of the hie wayes & briges about Langrom 3s 4d to be paid by Richard my sonne

Item I give to Isabell Smithe my daughter XXs I make & ordeyne Isabell my wife my full executrix of this my last will & Testament & if my Wife do refuse to be my executrix I will then that my sonne Richard shall be my executor

Jacobi [James] Hubberd - 1589 Contd

I make John Olmer the overseer of this my last will & testament & I give him for his paynes XXs

witnesses herunto Debts owing unto me James Hubberd

Item of Thomas [ffrostucall?] of wisoo iijlb iiijjs

Item of Humphrey humson iijlb

Item of John Sutton vlb Itm

Item of James hubberd the yonger labourer iiijlb xiijs iiijd

Item of Thomas Sloe viijs ijd Itm of Spencer of Borow viijs

Witnesses hereunto

John Olmer

Robert hubbert

henry Hubberd

James hubberd his mark

Robte hubberd his marke

henry hubbert his marke

Testamentn Alice Ives de Langham des ao Dm 1570

In nom dei amen the xxvijth daie of marche Ao Dm 1570 and in the xijth yeare of the reigne of or most soveraigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and yreland quene defendor of the faythe etc Wyttnesseth that I Ales Ives of Langham in the paryshe of Okehm in the dyoces of Peterboroughe sycke in bodye but whole in mynd and memorye doe make this my last wyll and Testament in manner and forme ffollowynge,

- ffirst I geve and bequeth my Soule into the hands of almightie god throughe Jesus christ or Lord and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Langham in the paryshe of Okeham,
I geve and bequeth unto Ales phillypott my daughter one keverled of grene and redde,
Also I geve unto Elizabeth phillypott my kynswoman one pewter dyshe and to Ales phillipott her systar an other pewtar dyshe
Item I geve to Robt Tattersall Lector Langhamie viijd
Also I geve unto Alce phillypott my daughter my best coote

All the rest of my gudds unbequethed I give and bequeth to Robt pytts my sonne whome I make my full Executor to paye my debts to dyscharge my legacies and to brynge my bodye honestly to the ground In wytnesse thereof I the above named Ales Ives to this my Last wyll and Testament have setto my marke the daye and yeare first above wrytten Wyllm Pyttes

Henry beston [M something, possibly abbreviation for magister] Stacie testantes Et me Robin Tatersaln scriptorem huis testamenti

Probatn fuit ... pus Testamentn supra scripta cora meo Coniyravo ... magistro venerabilis ... mei ... Theolog ... depntato tertio die menses maij Ao dm 1571 Comissaq fuit admistratio et Exeruton in ... Testo noiato et Jurato Juren exhibit est vijl ixs viijd

Testam Robti Ives ...per de Langham p...roces de Okeham Defunct

In dei nomine Amen In the name of god Amen the xvijth day of marche In the yeare of oure lorde god A thousande five hundredth sixtie & fyve I Robert Ives husbandman In the towne of Langham in the countie of Rutlande, sicke in bodye butt hole in Remembrance thankes be unto god maketh this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge

ffirst I bequeathe my soule to allmyghtie god who made me and all the worlde and to the prayers of all the electe people of god and my bodye to be buried in the churche of Langham

Item I bequeathe to the use of Langham churche viijs iiijd

Item I bequeathe to every one of my godchildren viijd

Item I bequeathe to my daughter Helens children one heffer

Item I bequeathe to Agnes my daughters children one heffer

Item I bequeathe to Robert Ives my godchilde viijs iiijd

Item I bequeathe to katheryne Ives viijs iiijd

Item to Willm baylye viijs

Item I bequeathe to Alice my wiffe twoo kye, towe neat pastures for this yeare and my house that she dwelleth in at this presente day yf she awill dwell in it for lyffe, or else she shall not have it longer than she dwelleth in it

Item I will that she shall have one quarter of malte

Item vjs viijd in money

Item one bushell of maslyn corne

Item one strike of wheat, one halfe acre of barlye, one halfe acre of pease every year during her lyffe dwelling in my house, and the same yere after my decease one loode of coles

Item ten sheepe and all my householde goodes that is in my house that I dwell in at this home

Item I ordeyne and make Thomas Ives my onelie and sole executor of this my last will and testament, and I geve unto hym all and singular goods not mentioned in this my will and testament

Item I will that Thomas my sonne shall bringe my bodye to the grounde and to pay all my funerall expences of his proper charges at the day of my buriall

Those bearinge witnes

Sr Thomas Rodes Curate of Langham

Nicholas egleston

James Hubbart

Willm baylie wt other men

Probatum fuit hoc pus Testam
supra scriptus coram nos magro
Anthonio burton caureit xj
die mons Aprilis 1566

Thomas Ives - 1589

Testatm Thome Ives de Langhm Def Ao dm 1589

In nomine Dei Amen the xxvth daie of March And in the two & / thirtith yeare of the Reigne of or Sovereigne Ladie by the grace / of God of England ffrance & Ireland Queene defender of the faythe I / Thomas Ives of Langham in the Countie of Rutland Husbandman being / sicke in bodye and in perfect memorie praise be given to God for the same / Doe make and ordeyne this my last will and testamt in mannor & forme / following ffirst I committ my soule into the hands of Almightye God my Maker / and redeemer desyring my Lord God of his omnipotent goodnes and mercie to pardon / and forgive me of all my former lyffe and offences and to receyve my soule / into his eternall kyngdome amongst the elect and chosen of God and my bodye / I comitt to the earth from whence it came Inprimis I give to the mother church / of Lyncolne iiijd Itm I give also to the church stocke in Langham iijs iiijd Item I / will that after my funerall expense be dyscharged that all my goods debts & chattles / movable andunmovable shalbe equally devided amongst my children and my wyffe / only my daughter Connte to be excepted and to be payed to my children when / they shall accomlishe and come to thage of xvij yeares then I will that / their parts and porcons shalbe equally devided amongse the surviving Item / debts owinge unto me the said Thomas Ives Inprimis Humphry Vellum / iijl vjs viiij Item William Sharpe ffreeholder xlvjs viij Item Richard Rose / iijl Item Robert Watkin xls Itm Willm Pitts xlvjs viij Item John Bullimor / vjs Itm Thomas Rose iijs iiij Item John Mosey vjs Itm John Connte xvs / Itm I give to Elizabeth Connte my daughter milch cowe two sheepe foure / strikes of mault I make and ordeyne Jone my wyffe William my Sonne / and Thomas my Sonne my sole Executors of this my last will and testamt / And all other former wills I utterly Revoke and Renounce In witnes / whereof I have here unto sett putto my marke

These witnesses

John Oliver
Henry Beeston
Adam Nowton

Probatum fuit hoc testamt coram Hennci Hickman / Toom.....officiati viijth die mensis /

May Anno Dm 1590 commisn fuit..... /
..... /xliijl xvjs ijd /

Probate granted 8th May 1590. Value of estate £43 16s 2d]

T: Willmi Mabley de Langham

The eighte and twentie of Marche anno 1598 Elizab; quadragesimo

I William Mabley of Langham in the conntie of Rutland Husbandman sicke in body, but wholl and in perfectt mynde and memorie god be praised do ordaine this my last will and Test: in manner and forme follow:

ffirste I bequeath my soule to almighte god my maker and redemer and my body to the earthe their to remaine till the generall indgmente[judgement] and to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham aforesayd,

Allso I give to the Church of langham xijd
and to the poore in langham xijd

Item I give and bequeathe to Edward Mabley my Eldest sonn five pounds in mony to be payed to him at the age of xvjtie yeares

Item to Dorothe Mabley my elldest Daughter thre ponde at eighteene yeares of age

Item to William, Elizabeth, John, Nicholes and ffrancis my children by my last wiffe three ponde a peece as they shall growe to their severall ages, and yf it happen that any of them Decease before the accomplishment of their sayd ages and yf it happen that any of them Decease that then the survivors to enioye the other s partes equally to be Devided amongst them

To my god children four pence a peece yf they demande it

The rest of all my goods whatsoever unbequeathed my Debts payed my legacies performed and my funerall expenses discharged I give and bequeathe to Joane Mabley my wiffe, whome I make and ordaine my sole Executrix of this my last will and testamente and allso I ordaine William Beston and Willm Burie the Younger Supervisors of the same and for their paines six pence a peece, In wittnes whereof I the sayd William Mabley have setto my hande and marke the day monthe and yeare firste above Written,

In the presence of their Wittnesses by me William Mabley

Thomas Thickpenny

William Beston

William Berry

John Bullimere Make their marke

Probatum fuit humoi testamtum coram magso Henrico
Hickman legum Doctorie ... in Chro pries oc Dm Dm
Richardi permissa Dma Peter epi sorrar in Spualibus
guabis etc xxij Die May 1598 Et Comissa fuit Administer
bonorn etc apud defuncti Executrix in humoi testamento noiate
in debita ... forma ... salno ...

Testamentum Johanes Neale paroch De Langham

In The name of God Amen In the yere of our Lorde god ml cccco xliiij on The xx Day of the month of August I John Neyle m'or [m'or probably short for minor i.e. the younger] of Langham In the counte of Rutland in the Dioes of peterbrogh being in hole mynde and perfet Remembrance make my Tesamtnt & last will in this manner

ffirst I bequethe my sowle to Almyghtie god and to ower Lady and To all the blessyde company in hevyn my body to be buryde in the church yarde of saynt peter and paule in Langham

Item I bequethe to the mother churche of peterburgh ijd

Item I bequethe to the paryshe churche in Langham one Peck of whete and one rode of Barley of gryndell

Item I bequethe to Robert Neylle my Langham son A grey horse and sadell pryse ffoure nobilles And one Dove cowe [MB thinks possibly dove cowt, I think cowe]

Item I bequethe Alys Neylle my daughter on pyed cowe

Item I bequethe To Agnes Neylle my dawgter one blacke cowe

Item I bequethe to Elizabeth [Bayn] one wenying calffe The Resydeu of all my godes my Debts Tents Legacies Donne And payde. I wyll yt be partyd yn iij partys one to my wife the secinde to my children the thirde parte to be done for me And make John Neyll my ffather and Jone Neylle my wyffe my tru executors to Dyspose for my soule and all crystons

Witnesses

Sir Wyllm Bromwynde curat

John Ball

Rychard Hubbard

Robt yvyes

Thomas Velam with others

Probatum fuitOctibrto Anno xlv

Testamentum Willmi Pytts de Langham Des Ao Dm 1571

In the name of god amen the xxvth Daie of June in the yeare of or Lord god 1571 and in the xiiijth yeare of the raigne of or Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffraunce and Ireland quene defender of the faythe etc wytnesseythe that I William Pytte of Langham in the paryshe of Okeham and in the doces of [photocopied on two sheets and a line or lines have been missed out here between them] or Lord and my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Langham

Item I geve and bequethe to the poore folke of Langham iijxs iiijd and to the chappell of Langham iijxs iiijd to the maynteinne of yt

Item I geve to Joane pytts my Daughter xvl

I geve to my Daughter Izabell pytts xl

I geve to my Daughter Agnes pytts xl

I geve to Ellen pytts my Daughter xl

I geve to Grace pytts my Daughter x [sic] to be paid them at the Daie of marriage Provided always that yf yt pleas almightie god to call any of the aforesaid children to his mercie before they come to the state of marriage that then there partes to remayn to the rest of there brethren and systers

I geve to all my godchildren iiijd a pece to every one of them

I geve to sethe hoes my sonne in Lawe xs

and to Nicholas pytts my sonne xs whome I make overseare of my wyll

All the rest of my goods unbequethed I geve and bequethe to Parnell my wyffe and Willm pytts my sonne whome I make my Executor to discharge my legacies paie my debts and to brynge my bodie honestly to the ground provided alwaies that yf yt pleas god to call Willm pytts my sonne to his mercie before Nicholas pytts my sonne yt then my sonne Nicholas to come to my farme and occupie in Willms Roome wth his mother Petnell my wyffe

In wytnes whereof I have setto my marke to this my last wyll and testament in the presence of these

Henrie beiston

Sethe hoes

Nicholas pytts clarke

Probatum fuit hoc presens Testamentm coram meo miho Chepard s... theology ban archim northton vj die mens octobris ao Dm 1571 Comissag fuit admistratio parnell executrici in ... teste... et Jurate ... Re...rata consitt p...tate committend Willm atteso et Doner perwenerit ad utiam date et est exhibit est ... id summna xxxvjxl xixs xd

Testm Richd Rose de Langham des Ao dm 1571

In the name of god Amen the third Daye of October in the yeare of Our Lord god 1571 and in the xiiijth yeare of the reigne of or Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and Ireland Quene Defender of the faithe etc I Richard Rose of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman beyng sycke in bodye but whole of mynde and of good remembrance god be thanked Doe make & ordeyne this my Last will and testament in manner and forme followynge

Ffirse I bequethe my Soule to almightie god throughe the merites of Jesus Christ my Savyor and my bodie to the yearthe there to remayne untill the generall resurrection of the Just ones in christ and to be buried in the churche of Langham aforesaid

Item I bequeth to the mother churche of Lincoln iiijd

Item I geve and bequeth to Thomis Rose my Sonn to be paid at his comynge fourthe of his prentycshippe vjl xijs iiijd

Also I geve to Willm Rose my sonne one quarter of malte

Item I geve to Jone Rose my older daughter one hackforthe of three yeares olde

Item I geve to Elling Rose my daughter iijl vjs viiijd to be paid at thage of xviiij yeares and I geve to the said Ellen ij brasse pottes one of the best and an other of the meaner sorte, Also I geve to the said Ellen one fetherbedd tycke one bolstar and one of the best panns ij coveringe for a bedde of the best ij mattresses one bolstar a bedstede syxe paire of shetes viz one payre of harden one white coffer and my second cubbord two platters ij dyshes ij sarcers two candlestyckes one salte of pewtar and xxti stoore shepe wth ij heckfars of iij yeares olde apece two towelles one bourde clothe of the best and one Lynnen whele

Item I geve and bequethe to Jone Rose my youngest daughter iijl vjs viiijd to be paid at thaige of xviiij yeares two pannes the newe cubbord and all other thinges as Ellen my daughter before hath except an fetherbedde tycke, and eyther of them one quarter of malte at the daies of their marriage yf they Doe marrye,

Also I geve to Thomes my sonne aforesaid one mattresse one bolstar two coveringes two pair of towe of hempe shetes one heckfurthe of iij yeares olde at thende of his prentycshippe and a Roode of wheate at the daye of his marryage,

Also I geve to the poore people of Langham xijd and to the mayntennce of the churche and bells

I geve iijs iiijd The rest of all my goodes and cattelles movealbe and unmoveable I geve and bequethe to my sonne Richard Rose whome I make and ordeyne my whole Executor of this my Last will and testament, And I mak and ordeyne my neighbor Henrie beiston and John Bullymer supervysors of the same and to have for theirre paynes xijd a pece these be ynge wytnesses Cutbert fawcett Henrie Baston Humfrey Cotton and John Bullymer wth others

Probatn fuit ...pus testm ...mro ... talentyne ...

offili anerdro xviiij die menses Aprille 1571

fuit adminstrous & executori in dio testo mento et .

bita Juris forma jurate

bitn est Juren bonorn apud destud suma [indistinct on photocopy, looks like a sum of money]

[Hackforthe - I think this is a heifer, both from the context and from the word heckfar being given as heifer in the 'Glossary of Household, Farming & Trade Terms from Probate Inventories'. A heifer is a young cow from one year old until she bears her second calf.

Stoore Shepe - Until recently sheep would not be sold for slaughter until they were at least two years old. Store sheep, as with store beast, were those that still needed growing on and fattening before they were ready for slaughter]

T. Thome Skulthorpe de Langham

In the name of god Amen Thomas Sculthorpe of Langham in the County of Rutland singleman beinge sicke in body but of perfectt mynde did ordaine and make his last will and testamente nuncupative before [blank space] the [blank] day of [blank] in the yeare of our lord god [blank] in manner and forme followinge viz:

he the sayd Thomas Skulthorpe deceased did assigne sett over and bequeathe unto Robert Skulthorpe his father a bond obligatione contayninge the some of IXli XIIJs due unto the sayd Thomas Skulthorpe from George Sculthorpe, And the will meaninge and intent of the sayd Thomas was that his sayd father then to dispose the same amongst his bretheren and sister at his discrecon

Comissa fuit adminstrar bone ... etc de defuncti
Robto Sculthorpe patri natalis et ... euisdem
Thome def.... ... forman et effortn ...
apud per ... Johnem Jannes in off
office Dm Archm Northampton ... fulcit
apud Peterburghe tertio die mensis July
Ano Dm 1599 in Debita ... forma in persona
[two more lines but photocopy gets too bad to read]

In Dei Nomine amen I William Sharp of Langham in the county of Rutland havynge good remembrance and holle mind the xxvith day of December the year of lord god Jesus Christ Mliiiij xxix [1529] that he ys apostall and ... of the plesure of Almighty god when he shall be called owt of thys transitory and wrechyd world ordeyn make & declare my Wyll and testament after the forme ensuyng

- First I bequeath my soule to Almighty god & to all the company of hevyn besechyng hym of hys infinite mercy to ... admyt me his most wreched and synfull creature to be one of his ... and company Sayved by his high mercy pardon and ...
- Item I bequeath my body to be buried in the church yarde of Langham on the Southe side of the churche
- Item I will that Sir William Bronwynde the paryshe priest ... hys mortuary at the kings Wyll ... by statute made in his parlement at Westminster
- Item I wyll that Alyce Sharp my Wyffe have my house in Langham with the appurtenances thereto belongynge for terme of her lyffe & after to remaine to my son Laurance Sharpe and to the heyres of his body lawfully begotton and ffor ffault of them on Thomas Sharpe my second son & to the heyres of hys body lawfully begotton and for lack of suche yssue unto Wylm my third son & to the heyres of yis body lawfully begotton & for lacke of such yssue now to my ii daughters Agnes & Elizabeth & to the heirs of thyre too bodys lawfully begotton Also I ordyne & make my ii daughters Alyce my wyffe my executrix ... hyr in my most hartye Wyes to see my detts payed and the residue of my goods & my debts paid I give them holly to Alyce my wyffe in witness that thy sys my last wyll and testament I have desired John Clarke and John Hubard John Watson to be witness unto yt ye day & yere above written.

Page 2 FS [I do not have a photocopy of this so it is as received from Renn Wortley's transcriber]

I shall desire my cosyn Willm [goodgam?] and my brother Robert [...] of thyre [...] and [...] and also make them [overseers] of and ffor the [...] I bequethe [each] of them iijs iiijd and this ends my last will [god if my ...] of have my witnesses

Ric [grene]

Willm goodgam

Robert ffowx

Willm Ress with [...] others.

In the name of god amen the yer of or lord god 1560 / the xvij day of aprile I dave smyth of lang / ham in the countie of rutlande husbandman / being in good mynde & perft remembrance make / my last will & testamt in maner & forme folowing / ffirst I beqth my soule to allmyhtie god & to / all tholye company of heaven & my bodie to be / buried in the church of peter & paule in langham / aforesaid

- Item I beqth to the mother churche of / peterborow iiijd
- Item I beqth to the churche of / langham vjs viijd
- Item I beqth to bartholome / Smyth my sone a colt one shepe & xxs of mony /
- Item I beqth to William Smyth my sone a colt one / shepe & xxs of money
- Item I bequeth to Elizabeth Smyth my daughter a heck / forthe a shepe & xxvjs viijd
- Item I beqth to / annet Smyth my daughter a heckforth one shepe / & xxvjs viijd
- Item I beqth to helene smyth my / Daughter a heckforth one shepe & xxvjs viijd /
- Item I beqth to alis smyth my daughter one hec / forthe one shepe & xxvjs viijd
- Item I beqthe / to Kateryn smyth my daughter sister xs
- Item I beqth to John smyth vjs viijd
- Item I beqth / to every godchild xijd

The residue of all my / goodles not beqthed I gyve & beqth to Jone Smyth / my wife whom I make my executrix to disposte / for my soule and all xxen witnes

William / gan curate
Kilam yrland
thomas ball wt / other mo

- Item I beqth to Elizabeth Edward / a coveryng of a bedd

Probatum fuit xxo die may ao dm 1561
coram dcom wm bynsley d legibus bar arch...
.....
..... et exhibitnd fuit inventorie
cume s... bounden extendebat ad xxvli xiijs ut
in cod.. app..

FS
[heckforth = heifer
xxen = Christian
Kilam yrland = Kelham Ireland]

In Dei nomine amen the XViii day of December the yr off our Lord God an dom MCCCCCXii
..... off Langham off hole mynd and good memory bequeath my soule to Almighty God to our
Lady Mary and to all the company of hevyn

Item I bequeath my body to be buried in the church Langham

Item I bequeath be (good?) (other wills around this date say “best beast” in this position, so
should this mean “a good beast”?) to be my morturye after custom and manner of the town
guild off Langham XXs. to the church aforesaid 6s. 8d. to our Lady of

Item I bequeath to William Smyth my wiffes sone my best cart and the horse with there geres a
cove and a boloke and XX sheep

Item I bequeath to the Vi (burgesses?) of Langham Vi Sharpe my kinsman a old carte an
a horse not the best nor the worst and six sheepe and (.....?) six sheepe

Item to Henry her sone iV sheepe

Item to evry good child a sheep (the word is “good” but I wonder if he meant “godchild”?) Ir. to
John Watson Vi sheep this done and my debts paid the residue of my goods not bequeathed
I bequeath to (Kathryn?) Smyth my wiff and I ordayne her and (William?) Sharpe my
executors to fullfill my wyll and to pay my debts and I make John Watson overseer to the
same writing att Langham the daye and yeare aforesaid to the same. Sir William Taylor
Thomas Balle Thomas Hubbard with others.

(The page is damaged so the right-hand side of this will has some words or part words missing.
The Christian name is missing on the will itself but in the undamaged index at the beginning of the
book the name is William Smyth).

Andrew Stevens - 1595

Testamentum numcupatinum Andrew Stevens octaro dit Octabris/1595/In dei nomine Amen:

Andrew Stevens of Langham in the Countie of Ruth. Bachelor and professere of the Lawe did by reason of the shortness of tyme, and the extremitie of the greate paine and grieffe that he did indure while he lived, did appoint George Stevens his brother to be his sole Executor of all his goodes & chattels whatsoever he did possesse And that he should deliver unto John Stevens brother unto them both, A lease of a fferme in Essex att Tames Coyne, whereof the yealie rent is Eleaven pounds & seaventene yeares in said Lease to come, or a pease stack & forescore Weathers nowe being in the feilde of Langham with a bedstead & all other furniture thereunto with certayne other householde And further that the saide George Stevens shall have all my debtes that is owing unto me & to give unto my other bretherne & systers as he in his discrecon conscience shall think good

This will was acknowledged by the aforesaid Andrew Stevens in his greate & extreme payne, albeit he was of sounde and perfect of memorie

Witnesses to this will

Edwarde Hill

Willm Ayres

Richard Birkatt Minister of Langham

Probatum fuit Testamentm suprascriptum apnd London

.....Juramento Gregory Stevens.....

.....

FS [the probate is written in full on the photocopy but it is in Latin and didn't seem relevant at the moment]

Testam Richard Sylvestre mg. de Langham paroch de Okeham

In the name of God Amen the thirtie Day of July in the yeare of or Lorde god A thousand fyve hundreth threescore & thre I Richard Sylvestre of Langham In the countie of Rutland being in good mynde, & of perfecte memorie maketh this my last will & testament In manner & forme followinge

Ffirse I bequethe my soule to allmyghtie god & to his sonne Jesus Christe who Redemed me wth his precious bloode & my bodye to be buried in the churche yarde of peter & paule in Langham aforesaid

Item I bequethe to the churche of Langham vjs viijd

Item I bequethe to Raufe Hubbard a payre of harden shete a pott & a platter

Item I bequethe to Henry Sylvestre one ewe and one lambe

Item I bequethe to Margaret Sylvestre one ewe and one lambe

Item I bequethe to John Hubbarde A payre of hardyn shete one pott & one platter

Item I bequethe top Brygyt gylburne one lambe

The Residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve & bequethe to Katheryne Sylvestre my wife whome I make my executrix of this my last wyll and testament

These beringe Wytnesse

William Ganne Curett

Henry harde

Robert barker wth other moo

[No signature, but someone has put unreadable letters in the margin]

probat fuit hoc pu... Testam

suprascript apud petriburng

cora magro William ffluyd

comiss xjo die Januarij Ao 1563o

In the name of god amen the yer of or Lord / god 1560 the xxth dae of august I Thomas / Vellam of Langham in the countie of Rutland / husbandman being in good mynd and perfect / remembrance make my last will & testst / in maner and forme folowing first I begth / my soule to allmightie god & to tholi companie / of heaven & my bodie to be buried in the / church yard of peter & paule in Langham / aforesaid

Also I beqthe to the mother church / of peterborow ijd

Also I beqthe to the church / of Langham xxd

Also I beqthe to Thomas / Vellan my sone ovijli

Also I bequethe to humfrey / vellam my sone ovli

Also I bequethe to agnes vellam / my daughter iijli to be paid to eche of them at / xxi yeres of age And if anye of them dye / the part shall go amonge the rest

The Residue / of all my gloodles not beqthed I gyve & bequethe / to Jane vellam my wif whom I mak my exec / to dispose for my soule and all christen Witnes /

William gan curat

Richard riddil

James huberd /

henry beyson

William Seagrave

Thomas ivis /

wt other moo

/ Probatum fuit dnn.....coram dco Jno arch
xv die mensis november in ao Dm 1560 jurat
executrics et adminstra vid exhibit
invic... nuus sidina clare extinlebat ad lxvijli
xijs iijjd

Dictis de amersis et ao in occd perechiali de harring
worthe pram Dnom amer De Johanna vellam
exetr aner dict in picra vidintati existines condidit
.... somer ad usum filiorner et filiarur suam sign
dcarn sub hac fcrma viz I gyve to eche of
my said children liiis iijjd to augment ther fa
theres legacie wthall, puertbus fuucibus macr
broughten noropur Rn?carr et Johnne Tailer
et multis aly..

[The will was proved on 15th November 1560, estate valued at 67 pounds 12 shillings and 4 pence. In the parish of Haringworth the widow and executrix Johanna Vellam added a sort of codicil saying "I give to each of my said children 53 shillings and 4 pence to augment their father's legacie withall". I think this was done publicly in front of an official named Broughton with Rc Carr and John Tailer and others.]

Someone with better Latin skills is needed to transcribe and translate properly but Johanna Vellam's words are in English and quite clear.

Testm Nichi Watson de Langham des An Dm 1572 nona die meses Julij Anno Rne Elizabethhe xiiijto

In the name of god Amen the daie & yeare above said, I Nicholas Watson of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman sicke in body but whole in mynd and memorie Doe make and ordein this my laste will in manner and forme followynge

ffirst I bequeth my soule to almightie god & my bodie to the earthe etc

Also I geve to the Churche of Langham to the reperinones of the belles & to the mendinge of the bridges of the same town iis xijd to eyther of them the belles and the bridge

Also when yt ys agreed btwest the said Nicholas and one Willim Webstar of Langham aforesaid that the said Nicholas should have duringe his lyffe in consideracon that the said Willm Webster hath paid to thuse of the right honourable the Lord Cromwell xl for the fine of the ferme that I dwell in the hawle the perlor ij acres of arable land in every fffeld one halffe acre in the hie meddowe, one Lea in the howse sycke, ij neates pastures & tene shepes commons halfe the frute in thorchey and thover end of the barn to lay corn in, and the carte hovel to laye pease upon, and two lodes of wood carringe

Duringe the lyves of the said Nicholas and Kethrinn his wyffe, and yf yt please god to call eyther of them to his mercie then the longer lyver to have but one acre & a halfe of erable land in every fylde one halffe acre in the meddow one netes pasture tenne shepes commons so they be not letten, halfe the frute the barne end and the hovel the hawell and parler as aforesaid and the woode carringe aforesaid, and at thend of bothe their lyves when god shall cauall them the corne that ys upon the ground then thone halffe the said Willm to have as his owne, thother halffe he to have yt of a price Doinge one and other will doe before any other

The Rest of all my goods or Cattells unbequethed my legacie performed and my funeral expenses dyscharged I geve to Kathern my wyffe whome I make my whole Executrix of this my last will and testament, and I make and ordeine Thomas beale my supervisor and for his paines I bequeath him xijd

In wytnesse whereoof I have setto my hand or marke the daie & yeare abovesaid

N Watson mark
Cutbert ffawcet Teste
Thoma beale
James hubborrde
Wm Coole

Probatn fuit hoc p...testatm coram mro Jaccobo chernocke m ll b... venabilis vivl Mr Richd Telentyne dm offilis depntato XVto die menses Septembris Ao 1573 comissay fuit ... est Executr ... indro testem... ..et Jurate Salno jure comisona Et exhibit est ... bono ud sumna xviiijl vijs viijd

FS [We think that the amount of money at the end of probate is the total of the inventory]

The testament and last will / of William Welles of Langham

In the name of god amen In the yere of our lord god 1555 the xvj day / of August I william welles of Langham in the county of / Rutland in the dioces of peterborowe beinge in hole mynd & / perfect remembrance make my last will and testament in / maner and forme folowing ffirft I bequeth my sole to / almighty god to our Ladye St Mary and to all the holye / company of heaven and my body to be buried in the church / yard of peter and paule in Langham

I bequeth to the mother / church of peterborowe ijd

I bequeth to the hie aulter of any / forgettyng tythes xijd

I bequeth to the church of Langham ijs

I bequeth to henry welles a bushell of pese

I bequeth to / William welles a bushell of pese

I bequeth to Agnes patynsly / a bushell of pese

I bequeth to Isabell Dalby a bushell of pese /

I bequeth to Oysby Bussham a bushell of pese

I bequeth / to John welles a bushell of pese The resydue of all my / goods unbequethed my detts payd I geve and bequeth to / gregory welles my sone and allso the tacke of my ferme / whom I mak my executor to dyspose for my sole and all / christen soles and Mr Busby to be supervysore

wittnes Willm gan / curat

Edmond freman

Danl Smyth

nicholas gylburn /

henry welles

willm welles

wt other mo.

Detts yt I do owe

First to Mr Busby xiijs iiijd

Item to ye same Mr Busby for a bushell of pese xviijs

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Summa totalis iijl xvijjs viijd

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